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Discoveries In Early American Postmarks As Related By Kent B. Stiles In The New York Times

Research into postal cancellations on the early stamps of the United States is a fascinating pursuit for philatelic students. "Finds" are constantly being made and knowledge of the nation's postal history is thereby icreased. In most instances the discoveries have intrinsic value which amply rewards the inquirers for the time and patience and money they have expended; indeed, some of the items uncovered can be sold for hundreds of dollars each in a market in which early United States issues are popular as never before. It was learned last week that the Philatelic Research Laboratories, Incorparated, not long ago acquired one of the largest accumulations of on-cover 1861-65 3-cent stamps ever assembled in one lot. They had been in storage for many years and no philatelic student had had accesss to them until they came into the possession of Y. Souren, president of the corporation. Mr. Souren is taking photographs, which eventually will number several hundred thousand of all the stamps on these covers and of all the cancellation marks.

Up to the time this phase of the research was undertaken, more than 4,000 varieties of postal markings had been recorded by numerous students in their examination of stamps issued during the years 1847 through 1869—the period when individual postmasters prepared their own postmarks and impressed them with devices self-made out of metal, cork or wood, before the Government provided standard cancellation machines.

New Cancellations Found

In his photographic scrutiny of the 1861-65 accumulation, Mr. Souren has discovered cancellation designs of which philately had no record. He will not announce the precise number until he has completed the work but already they run into the many scores. In due time he plans to publish a survey of his findings, and it will illustrate many quaint markings which wil suggest that our early postmasters thought along ingenious, imaginative and often humorous lines when contriving "stampers" in the course of their official duties.

Mr. Souren made available last week six examples of such unrecorded types of cancellation on the 1861-65 3c stamp.

One presents the profile of the head of a Negress with an enormous hair-do The stamp from which this was taken is on a cover mailed in a Southern State. Another on a cover with an Illinois postmark shows a likeness of Abraham Lincoln on a crude bust. A third illustrates an Indian, and the postmark is of a city in Wisconsin, where Indians were numerous. A cover which was mailed in a town along the Mexican border baers a stamp which has as its cancellation a sombrero on a man's head. From a city in Midwestern cattle country came a cover on which the stamp's cancellation is in the form of a cow's head. A cancellation picturing a goblet originated with a postmaster in New England.

Five of these cancellations, it will be observed, were significantly related to the regions in which the postoffices existed, and the survey thus far shows that such a trend prevailed generally. Why the New England postmaster illustrated a goblet is anybody's guess, but it may have been because glassware was one New England Product

Morgenthau Sale Will Offer $250,000 Lot Of Superb United States

One of the most important sales ever to be held in New York will be scheduled for the five days starting September 20, according to information obtained by The New York Sun this week. For certain reasons the former owners are not to be named, but it has been disclosed that the collector responsible for this really amazing collection stopped his activities in 1926.

The catalogue price runs in the neighborhood of $250,000, and J. C. Morgenthau & Co., who will conduced the sale, has started work on an impressive catalogue. The collection is entirely United States, with its greatest strength between the Columbians and 1926.

There are full sheets of many outstanding pieces in fine to superb condition, single and blocks, imprint blocks, Department and coils. The Shanghai overprints, now back fully in the philatelic limelight because of the new United States Occupation stamps, are there in singles, sets and blocks, and there are sheets of the compound perfs from 1918 through 1925.

Nineteenth century material is well represented, but the great emphasis is being placed on the more recent items because of the tremendous strength represented. The richness of the stamps might best be noted through the fact that Norman Serphos, president of J. C. Morgenthau & Co., Inc., is using over thirty pages of plates in the forthcoming catalogue.

—New York Sun.

Italian Occupation Stamps Not Available For The Collectors

Our inquiry addressed the Post Office Department with regard to the sale of the new Italian Occupation stamps to collectors has brought the following reply form Third Assistant Postmaster General Ramsey S. Black and is self explanatory.

"The stamps in question will not be placed on sale at post offices in the United States or the Philatelic Agency, but only at Italian post offices in Sicily. In view of the restrictions on the importation and exportation of postage stamps since the outbreak of the war, the sending of mail orders to post offices in Sicily by collectors to purchase the new stamps cannot be recommended."

"Some plan may be worked out later to facilitate the purchase of Allied Military postage stamps by collectors in this country who desire to obtain the same, and note has been made to advise you further in the premises if this Office can be of any further assistance."

With an opportunity to sell to collectors, from $50,000 to $100,000 worth of these stamps which would cost but a few dollars to produce it would seem that our Government is overlooking a nice piece of change for the war effort.

CLEVER NEW PATRIOTIC

The Andrews Printing Company of Chattanooga, Tenn., have sent us a sample of the new Unconditional Surrender Patriotic envelope picturing Italy. This cover in three colors shows the map of Italy with head of Mussolini at top, as we all know the lower part of Italy looks like a foot so the wording is "When success goes to the Head Defeat goes to De-Feet". And it was right in the feet that Italy got its first dose. The cover is offered in their advertisement.

Czech Stamp Varieties Information Indicates Varieties Not Constant

In the issue of this paper for July 29, we listed a number of small color dot varieties showing on sheets of the stamps for Czechoslovakia which we had obtained. We stated that it would be likely that a sheet which showed altogether different varieties on this stamp would be from the other plate than the one from which our stamps came and Fred L. White of Los Angeles, Calif., sends notes of three items from a sheet he has and which are wholly different than on the sheet we had and he further states that none of the varieties we mentioned are on the sheet he has. thus we have the two panes identified but no way of knowing which is right and which is left.

Mr. White lists the following varieties in the sheet he has. No. 9 stamp shows a red dot to the upper right of the last A of Czechoslovakia.

No. 32 had a red dot over the V.

No. 47 has not dots or specks of color but the staff of the flag shows a distinct break above the center of the flag. The break is as large as the line of color between the vertical lines of the staff.

Bill Stone of South Pasadena, Calif., reports that all stamps from Nos. 11 ot 15 and 36 to 40 on his sheet of Czech stamps showed small red dots over the K of Czechoslovakia.

This would seem to be the same pane as we first mentioned on July 29th yet our sheets did not show this dot on all stamps in the two rows as reported by Mr. Stone. It is therefore evident that the dots are not constant and that anything might be found on one sheet and not show on another. As we pointed out, this can readily happen in stamps printed by this method.

Canada's Airgraph Letter Sheets

Mr. A. K. Hurlburt of Detroit took a brief vacation in Canada and sends a copy of one of the Airgraph Letter sheets in use in the Dominion. The form is similar in size and design to our own V-mail letters but is printed in a light blue rather than in red.

Mr. Hurlburt advises that these Airgraph forms bear a number in the upper left corner and that these numbers indicate the different printings that have been made. Thus far numbers 1 to 8 have appeared.

A Stamp With The United States Flag In Full Colors Has Long Been Wanted By Stamp Collectors

BY FRANK L. GRAHAM

Stamp Editor, The Tribune-Sun, San Diego, Calif.

Getting a stamp issued with a United States flag in full colors as its central design is no cinch. For three years I have been working, fighting, scheming, writing and pulling strings to accomplish what seems, at first glance, to be a simple matter after all.

And, after three years, I still don't know why we can't have such a stamp, any more than I know why we have to have a two-volume catalog. About three years ago the late Horace Rhoads, president of the San Diego club and a cover collector from away back, enlisted my aid in his plans for obtaining an Old Glory stamp. So far as I am concerned, Rhoads, who died more than a year ago, without, of course having seen his dream come true. is the originator of the idea and to him should go all credit.

Rhoads even had gone so far as to design a 6-cent airmail stamp with Old Glory in all its pristine beauty as the central design. It was beautiful. I became fired with some of Rhoad's enthusiasm for the idea and determined to help him all I could to make it a reality.

I wrote Postmaster General Frank Walker and his reply was semi-encouraging he said in part:

"The department has not been deterred from issuing a flag stamp from the viewpoint that when used on letter mail the stamp would be defaced. Postage stamps are made to be used in the prepayment of postage and the cancellation thereof is natural and to be expected."

That, I thought, was one stumbling block overcome, as there had been talk that indignity to the flag might be a reason against such a stamp.

Time dragged on, however, and new stamps were issued but still Old Glory did not appear on any of them.

My next step was to get the congressman from my district, Rep. Ed V. Izac (D-Calif.,) interested in the project. This was accomplished partly by pointing out the advantages which would accrue to San Diego if it was the city where the stamp would have its first day of sale.

This action resulted in presentation of a bill in the house of representatives which provided that "in order that the flag of the United States may be appropriately honored during this period of national emergency, the postmaster general is authorized and directed to issue for such period as he may determine a special airmail stamp of the denomination of 6 cents and with a central design of the flag of the United States. Such special airmail stamp shall be placed on sale in San Diego, Calif., one day before it is made available to the public elsewhere."

Provision of funds in the bill would overcome the difficulty ad-

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State Department May Lend Aid To Stamp Collecting

We are advised that the State department at Washington, recognizing the world wide interest in stamp collecting, may take steps to further this interest with the belief that a more universal world wide correspondence and exchange between stamp collectors of all countries of the earth will do much as an ambassador of good will and thus help create a better world in which to live.

It is a fact that stamp collectors are among the most tolerant and broad minded of all peoples. Their interests and activities bring them into contacts with men of all countries, men of all religions and men of all colors. The more advanced and active collectors usually have correspondents in many countries of the world and thus have a more friendly and brotherly feeling toward the peoples of other countries than is held by those who never make such contacts.

The State Department is considering the establishment of a Foreign News service which will quickly advise American collectors of all new stamps and new stamp issues of all countries of the world. This service if once started can become the greatest source of world wide Philatelic News available to collectors and can be expanded to include reciprocal information from America for collectors of other countries. Let us hope that such a bureau is not an idle dream.

Rialto Stamp Head Improving Slowly

A letter at hand from Adolph Klingenstein of the Rialto Stamp Company of Lakewood, N. J. states that altho he is out of the hospital, he is still a very sick man and is improving slowly. It will be some days yet before he can give his full attention to business and customers are asked to be patient for a brief period.

LAUNCHING CACHETS

Ralph P. Werve, Box 951, Saginaw, Mich., advises that he will cachet covers for Launchings in and about Saginaw. Those interested should send standard 6¾ size covers, unstuffed so they can be printed. Send 5 or more covers at a time with 1c service charge. Next Launching scheduled for Sept. 2nd.

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Old Timer Tells Of Another Old Timer

Mr. R. J. Tarpy of New Hampton, Iowa is one of the old time stamp men of America and it was his agile mind that spiked a story on the first page of our issue of the 22nd of July in which we reprinted a news iten. from the Canadian Postal Bulletin in which that publication credited a London Philatelic Society with the introduction of the label.

Mr. Tarpy writes that when he read the wording of the label his mind jumped back many years to the last World war when he felt that he had seen the words on a label or in a publication and he believed that the article was by Charles E. Jenney another old timer who was well known as a Philatelic writer in those days and for many years earlier.

Mr. Tarpy says he searched his old paper files and found the publication in which Jenney had quoted the label and that curiously enough the label had originated in Australia where an Australian Dealer had used it in the identical wording as printed in our paper, during the first World war. It would therefore seem evident that London parties have dug up this old label from the first World War and are again using it in this war.

Charles E. Jenney was one of the old time writers and a very capable and able one, an expert stamp man and his sad end came in Kansas City in which he lost as a result of a railroad accident both his legs. His home was in Fresno, Calif.

R. J. Tarpy, too is one of the old time Philatelists and our own recollection of both Jenney and Tarpy runs back many, many years.

Blank Pages For Scott International Albums

Several collectors in the past few months have told us that they were unable to find blank pages for Scott International Albums. Some even saying that Scott could not supply same We know nothing about that, but we did note that Mr. V. Tucker who had an advertisement in our issue of last week as well as in this weeks issue, did offer last week, blank pages for these albums. We might suggest that those who want such blank pages look up the advertisement of last week.

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IT'S THE TRUTH

Leo August of the Washington Stamp Exchange of Newark, N. J. sends us a letter which was an order to his firm and the letter is merely signed with name of the man who is ordering and no city or street address is given. Mr. August says: "This problem is getting worse and worse. Think you ought to write a story about collectors sending orders out and not giving address. Some don't even sign letters and some write as though they were signing a check, you just can't read it."

With all of which we agree. It is seldom that we don't have a letter with an order here which we are patiiently holding and waiting for the day on which the man who sent the order will write us "Why in the *)(/*&%* don't you fill my order which was sent a month ago."

U.S. NOTES

The Post Office Department announces the first day sale figures for the Luxemburg stamp issued August 10th as follows: Covers canceled 166,367; Stamps sold 552,749 and of a face value of $27,637.45.

These figures are worthy of note for two reasons The number of first day covers is the largest of any of the stamps isued thus far, which may indicate an ever increasing demand for these covers. In fact, dealers in First Day Covers are all reporting a heavy demand for the Poland cover and many dealers are out of this item. It should become a very good cover and will be the key cover of the entire series.

Another thing to note in the above figures is that the total number of stamps sold is the smallest thus far for any of the stamps. This indicates that a larger percentage of the stamps from first day sale are going on to covers and also that collectiors are buying their stamps from their local postoffices because they can get well centered copies in that manner.

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Another piece of unusual news from Washington is with reference to some plate numbers. Here we have a list of seven plate numebrs sent to press away back in May and just now being announced by the Department. The announcement specifically states "Not Heretofore Made Public". Whether there was a reason for this delay or whether these numbers had merely been overlooked is something that we know nothing about. The numbers announced are all for stamps of the Presidential series, all 400 subject Electric Eye plates and consist of a single 1c plate. numbered 22255 and six plates for the 2c value, numbers 22444-5, 22453-4 and 22468-9.

POSTAGE STAMP PARADE

Joseph J. Goldberg, Editor
4735 N. Bernard St. Chicago, Ill.

CANADA—The long awaited, 3c color change, was issued during the early part of July. It is a distinctive purple shade. It has also been issued in coil form and in booklet form. There are two panes of four stamps to a booklet. This completes the present "war" issue.

EGYPT—A raise in the special delivery rates is the reason for a new stamp. Identical in design to the 20 mils special delivery is the new 26 mils special delivery stamp (see illustration.)

Precancel NEWS

BY KENNETH M. GIERHART
Baltimore, Ohio

Dynamite Hinges.

Have you ever heard the expression? If there are any who have not, I will explain briefly that they are HINGES that really stick. In other words when you go to peel them from a stamp you stand a better chance of tearing the stamp than you do of removing the hinge. For some reason a few collectors of precancels feel that you do not need to use a good grade of hinges. How wrong they are they soon discover when they have ruined valuable stamps and have to take a big discount if disposing of them. To say that all reliable dealers sell good hinges is not entirely true. An otherwise reliable leader might sell you a poor hinge because he has not the time to investigate them and took the wholesalers word for it. Get a package of several good NAME hinges and give them a test on cheap duplicates. Precancels don't need a "four-bit" hinge but they do deserve better than Dynamite Hinges.

Tough Ohio Towns.

Well for me here is my list, Croton, Custar, Diamond, Fitchville, Geauga Lake, Grelton, Graysville, Lakeview, Jamestown, Maud, Morristown, Mt. Saint Joseph, Racine, Rossburg and Vinton. Others equally as hard to get are Gahanna, Buckeye Lake, Linworth, Waverly, Port Washington, Then of course each collector has a tough town or two he can't seem to locate. The above though will give you good idea of the hard to get Ohio towns. I hope to get similar lists from the neghboring states in a few weeks.

NEA Dateds.

It is my privilege to check over a batch of these every few months and there are a few things that stand out plainly. Although the DATED rule plainly states that the Dating and Initials shall be on the 6c Value on up yet this firm uses hundred of 6c Presidentials and not one has been DATED. Maybe they are right in interpretating the ruling in this manner. I don't have the rules at hand now for the exact wording. They were printed in about every stamp paper when given out in 1938 and I know a lot of writers thought the same as I that the dating was to start with the SIX CENT value. Am I wrong?

Notes.

Saw some of the Galesburg Electros or type set precancels lately. The 2c and 3c War Issue. Look at the Illustration for type 1 of Lakeville, Minn. in the Part 1 catalog and you will get a good idea of the imprint. Type a little smaller and not so heavy but otherwise very similar. Between lines spaced about the same distance as NARROW type bureaus. —1c War issue from Jamestown, N. Y. U-15,—1c War issue Troutdale Oreg. U-121 type.—There are about 15,000 authorized towns and cities in the U. S. that use or can use precancels. Only about 60% of this amount have been listed in catalogs.—Some of the last NEA overprints were on 14c Presidentials, Cleveland U-12.

The 27th edition Mitchell-Hoover Bureau Print Catalog.

Please make the following changes in your copy:

Page 38. Muncie, Ind. Add: "221 1c .07 .14"

Page 39. South Bend. Transpose the "A" and "C" prices under B79.

Page 55. Worcester. Under, B73, "C" copy .10" should be under B72.

Page 75 Newark, Add: "370 ½c .05 .20"

Page 75. Newark Add. "384 12c .25 1.00"

Page 78 Albany, Add: "B88 20c .25 1.50."

Page 81. Buffalo. B89. Block price should be 4.00

Page 95. Columbus 471 Block price should be .80.

Page 119. Salt Lake City. 1st Column. B-11 cut opposite B71A should be opposite 221 and reverse.

Page 118. Houston. The Spread XA note should be over Pres. coils, also.

Page 124. Wheeling Above B2 add "1922-23 Perf. 10"

Page 127. Milwaukee, Add "B-124 3c .35 1.50"

Page 127. Milwaukee. 372, change denomination of stamp to 1½c.

128. Sheboygan. B3, change block price to 1.60

Society Of Philatelic Americans Issues Seal

A very attractive engraved souvenir seal has been issued for the 49th annual business meeting of the Society of Philatelic Americans, at St. Louis, Mo., August 19th to 22nd, inclusive.

The seal is steel engraved, size 3" x 4", and is printed in red and blue on heavy white paper. The center design is a large "V" printed in red. Across the top is the name "SOCIETY OF PHILATELIC AMERICANS", also in red. The wording below the name, the date, et cetra, on the outer sides of the "V" and the emblem of the Society in the center of "V", as well as the balance of the seal is printed in blue The lower left hand corner shows an anti-aircraft gun in action and on the lower right hand corner, a ship sailing at full speed.

Seals are available at 10c each, plus a self-addressed and 3c stamped envelope from Mrs. Charlotte Mayne, 4724 Milentz Ave, St. Louis, Mo.

CANADA STAMP BOOKLETS

A recent circular from the Canadian Post Office Department pictures the five current stamp booklets of Canada and they are as follows:

A book of 24 one cent stamps at 25c; a book of 12 two cent stamps at 25c; a book of 8 three cent stamps at 25c; a book of 6 four cent stamps at 25c and a mixed book containing four stamps each of the 1c, 2c and 3c value.

LAUNCHING CACHETS

Martin B. Cowl, 204 Ottawa St., Bay City, Mich. advises that about two boats per month are launched in Bay City yards and that he will be glad to mail covers for these launchings for any collector. Merely send your covers ready to go and it is suggested that you enclose your covers in an envelope with a commemorative stamp on them as an appreciation for this service.

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THE PRE-CANCELLED BLACK JACK

By Anthony J. Russo

It is of course possible that other stamps beside the Black Jack were precancelled by pen ruled lines. As a matter of fact I would not be surprised to learn that this method was used to precancel the 1c stamp as far back as 1851.

The more I study this problem the more I am convinced that this type of precancellation was conceived and used mostly for Drop letters. Let us try to understand the Drop letter system. First of all Drop letters are letters that are addressed to persons living in the same city in which they are mailed. In most of the larger cities a Free City Delivery was available, and Drop letters were delivered by carriers if a street address was given. But in all the other cities and towns in the country that did not have a carrier service, Drop letters never left the post office in which they were mailed, until the person to whom the letter was addressed called for it.

The Post Office Department did not insist on the prepayment of postage on Drop letters until Feb. 27th, 1861, at which time the Drop letter rate was one cent and had been since the issuance of the first 1c stamp, on July 1, 1851. Therefore the prepayment of postage being optional before the 1861 date, many people did not bother to have a supply of stamps on hand to be used for Drop letters. They would take their letters to the post office and prepay the postage in cash in which case the postmaster would mark the letter PAID, or deposit the letter in the post office unpaid, without any penalty.

Mr. Stanley Ashbrook, in Vol. 2 of his work on the 1 cent stamp of 1851-1857, states that, "For some years prior to the Act of Feb. 27, 1861, the public had become accustomed to the use of postage stamps, and stampless Drop covers of the late Fifties are most uncommon. Covers showing the use of the Drop rate in small towns are rather scarce. In the early Fifties we find these without stamps, both paid and unpaid."

Now then, if small town covers with stamps used in the Fifties are scarce, and the prepayment by postage stamps was not compulsory until Feb. 1861, we of course might not find many of the 1 cent 1851-1857 stamps precancelled by the pen ruled methed. On Aug. 17, 1861 a new 1 cent stamp was issued, but the 1 cent Drop rate was only in effect for about a year and a half after it's issuance, so perhaps not many of them will be found precancelled.

Now let us take the case of the Balck Jack stamp.—The Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1863, abolished carrier's fees and established a pre-paid rate of two cents for Drop letters not exceeding one half ounce, "To be prepaid by stamps affixed," making necessary the 2 cents Black Jack, No.. 73.

By the time the B/J was issued, the public may have become well accustomed to the use of postage stamps, but it is a well known fact that in the smaller towns people did not acquire the habit of buying stamps beforehand for a good many years

Due to these conditions we can readily see why one, or many, postmasters would precancel the two cents stamps to be used for Drop letters, knowing that these letters did not need a postmark showing the point of origination.

The 2 cents B/J was in use for a long time, and they were used almost exclusively for Drop letters and Circular rates.

In conclusion I will again say that, it is possible that the pen ruled precancellation method may have been used on other stamps besides the B/J. but I don't believe that they will be as easy to find.

Since the original article on this subject appeared, a number of these precancelled Black Jacks have come to light, which would tend to prove that this theory is more or less correct. So if these Black Jacks are precancelled, they should be recognized as such. To my mind finding one on cover would not prove anymore than has been proven already.

Flag Stamps Will Be Nuisance For The Busy Collector To Identify

You have got to know your flags, else take a close squint at the name of the country beneath the flag when you sort or classify these new flag stamps. Their identical design is one that leaves it wholly up to your knowledge of the various flags to quickly classify them according to conutry. Ordinarily, the sharp eyes of the stamp collector trained to observe minute differences, has enabled him to classify stamps of various countries, but here we have twelve stamps, identical except for the flag on them. That means that rather than classify the stamp from its general design which collectors would readily memorize that they must learn the flags of these twelve countries and sort and classify by the flag alone.

Some will be readily remembered and outstanding but others will require a bit of hesitation at times in placing it in the right pile, or in selecting a copy to fill a want list.

Perhaps the two nearest alike will be the stamps of Luxemburg and Netherlands wherein the only difference is in the depth of color of the bottom bar of the flag. In the Luxemburg stamp we wondered why the name of the country did not show up clearly on the photograph of the stamp which came to us from Washington and since seeing the stamp we know the answer since the name is in the pale blue of the bottom bar of the flag and almost unreadable. While collectors can quickly sort these stamps into different groups, they will have to use more than ordinary care in identifying each country.

First day covers will quickly identify them for the cover collector since these covers bear the name of the country in large plain words.

Our thanks are due H. Grimsland of Chicago for one of his handsome Engraved Luxemburg covers as well as to Kenneth Hinson for the Luxemburg cover from his own personally designed printing which is limited to ten covers for each stamp and will be one of the most unique sets of these covers.

Mr. Hinson is an amateur printer and has had a lot of fun designing his own covers and printing the flags from linoleum blocks which he cuts out himself.

AIR MAIL COVERS

SAMUEL S. GOLDSTICKER, JR. (Dept Ed.) 453 Mt. Prospect Avenue Newark ,4, N. J.

Airmail and Passenger service on routes AM-61 and AM-62 was inaugurated on Monday, August 16th. AM-61 is TWA's new route from Dayton, Ohio and Columbus, Ohio into Washington, D. C.; while AM-62 is United Airline's new route into the Nations Capital from Toledo, Ohio. Wheeling, W. Va., will be added to AM-61 in the future, probably not until after the War.

There were no official cachets applied to any covers carried on these first flights, however, the Dayton Chamber of Commerce sponsored an unofficial cachet which was applied to first flight covers from that point. This cachet consists of a rectangle inside of which is a map of the route. At that point indicating Dayton is a picture of the Wright Brothers original airplane, while the point indicating Washington is indicated by an illustration of the Capital Building. Columbus and Wheeling are only represented by dots. Above the map is the words "FIRST" FLIGHT AM 61," while below the map is "DAYTON to WASHINGTON." Above the rectangle is shown a bird with elongated broken wings and arranged in a semi-circle from one wingtip to the other is "THE HOME OF AVIATION." Directly underneath this is "DAYTON, O." Below the rectangle in two lines is "CLARENCE N. GREER, POSTMASTER" * "DAYTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE." The cachet was applied in green ink.

Complete information as to time of cancellations and backstamps will appear in next week's column, since I have not received all of my covers back as yet.

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An announcement at the request of the Airport Dedication Committee of the American Airmail Society Catalogue. Will anyone having (or knowing of) any covers mailed at the Commissioning of the Naval Air Station at Brunswick, Maine, on April 15, 1943, please report them to a member of this committee. Covers are known to exist on this event, and the committee would like to include it in the catalogue, but up to now the committee has never seen any. If anyone knows of any of these covers, will they please report it to any of the following people—(A) Mr. Maurice S. Petty, 507 Quackenbos street, N. W., Washington, 11, D. C.; (B) Mr. G. F. Lancaster, 194 Essex street, Brooklyn, 8, N. Y., or (C) the writer of this column. If you know of any of these covers, please cooperate with us by reporting it in.

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The Airport Dedication at Morristown, New Jersey may take place shortly after September 1st if the pleasure driving ban is lifted at that time. Covers can still be sent to the Airport Dedication Committee of the Chamber of Commerce at Morristown. As yet, there are no indications of any cachets being applied to covers.

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Huntsville, Alabama may be added to AM-40 and AM-55 in the immediate future, without anymore advanced notice to collectors due to war-time restrictions and regulations. Mr. John C. Stanard, P. O. Box 404, Huntsville. Alabama, will be pleased to personally service covers sent by readers of this column. 1c service fee per cover would be appreciated, as would patriotic envelopes on the outside. Better get those covers out now before it's too late. Refer to list of forthcoming first flights in August 5th issue for inbound points to be covered.

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Thanks for news and clippings to John D. Stanard, Capt. Charles J. Wood, C. E. Carlson, Perhan H. Nahl, and the Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club Bulletin. Also thanks to Earl R. Frank of Toledo for a first flight cover of AM-62.

The Blue Hen's Chicks Patriotic Envelopes

From Charles Buckalew of Wilmington, Delaware comes an unusual Patriotic Envelope in that it is one issued solely for use of citizens of Delaware in writing their boys in the service.

At top there is a large heavy lined script "Delaware." Below this a large picture of a hen and three small chicks, the latter in military attire, that is one has a rifle, the other two with military caps. At bottom are the words, "Greetings to the Blue Hen's Chicks."

Mr. Buckalew says that this cover was originated from the fact that during the Revolutionary war, the people of Delaware have been called "Blue Hen's Chicks" because during the war the troops from Delaware carried with them some blue fighting cocks. Thus the chicks were the fighting cocks of the blue hen, which is Delaware. It is indeed a novel cover and a novel idea.

Mr. Buckalew suggests that it would be a fine idea if other states might have covers that are closely associated with state tradition and history.

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Business On The Boom

Of course we mean the stamp business and our remark is borne out by letters from all parts of the country. The Tatham Stamp & Coin Company of Springfield, Mass., users of frequent full page spaces in this paper state that their summer business has run better than that of last winter. Letters from other dealers report excellent business and even from Tampa, Florida, big Bill Kennett reports that the stamp trade is booming.

Geo. W. Linn

We hear also from dozens of boys in the service and every letter gives us news and information and the opinion we gather is that never before has there been such activity on the part of the boys who are actively in the service of our country. Letters with subscriptions come from boys in the camps, from boys on the ships, from Coast Guardsmen, boys who fly the planes and even today one from a boy who is on a submarine in the Pacific.

Everything indicates an active demand and the stocks are getting smaller and smaller. Certainly it is fortunate for the stamp dealers that the great Green accumulation will be coming on the market again this winter and to start the season a great lot of material that will draw dealers like molasses draws flies will be sold by Morgenthau in September. Collectors would be amazed to learn that in many of these big sales, the dealers take the bulk of the items offered.

Another thing indicative of dealer demand for more stock is the great number of buying advertisements that are constantly being run by the dealers, some would wonder if these dealers never offer anything for sale for they advertise all the time "We Want To Buy."

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The question that haunts the man with stamps to sell is whether this top market is real or whether it will slump with the coming of peace. That is a question that only time will tell, but it would seem to anyone that such prices can not continue to advance and hold up when peace and the consequent readjusiment to smaller wages and lesser profits sets in.

It is therefore up to you to make your own decision. Surely, the prices offerd now for some material are excellent for the man with goods to sell and the time to take the money is when it can be had.

Vast stocks of stamps are undoubtedly being lost and destroyed in Europe. It will take some years for all prices to adjust themselves, but one thing is certain, none of the choice material will ever be so cheap again as it was before this war started. Good stamps are one of the world's best investments and wise collectors with cash to invest can not find a safer place to put that extra money.

Interesting Information On Origin Of The Flags

Mr. William M. Milligan of Templeton, Calif., sends some interesting information regarding the flags of Luxemburg and the Netherlands which we stated some time ago were of about the same design and color except for a difference in the blue.

Mr. Milligan quotes the following from the National Geographic Magazine of September 1934.

"The colors of the flag of Luxemburg are taken from the Coat of Arms of the Duchy of Luxemburg. The first flag of the Netherlands bore the colors of William of Orange, orange, white and blue. In 1599 they were ordered to be three equal horizontal stripes. About the middle of the 17th century the orange appears to have been superceded with red, altho it still shows up in the old flag of the Orange Free State. The present flag was adopted by Royal Decree in 1807."

Thus we find the Luxemburg flag to be red, white and light blue and the Netherlands flag to be red, white and dark blue.

OLD GLORY POSTMARK

Clarence E. Bell of Wellsville, Ohio, has found a town in Texas by the name of "OLD GLORY". Evidence of this comes on one of the flag envelopes. that one with the flag covering the entire back of the envelope Mr. Bell uses a 5c Czechoslovak stamp on this cover and with the Old Glory postmark it makes a very handsome cover. If and when, a United States flag stamp is issued, this little Texas town will be swamped with mail.

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Canadian Material

Mrs. Bobs Larocque-Demers (PCEC 147) recently travelled North of the Border and brought back with her "loads of Canadian Material." She has twelve different types of Canadian Army Stationery and various types of patriotic envelopes.

By the way, Mrs. Bobs is very apt with a coloring pencil. Therefore, she has been "touching up" some of the patriotics—"making them look like a million dollars".

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Donald A. Yontz (PCEC 229) has obtained four new members and Clinton E. Ang (PCEC 164) has obtained two new members.

The following members have obtained one each: #108 Norman, #125 Castellano, #192 Turley, #124 Shaffer, #142 Crowl, 129 Kosko, #4 Bendig, #10 Noble, #150 Painter, #89 Hodge, 198 Stanard, #74 Nichols, #52 Sweet, #36 Carpenter, #127 Schink, 140 Pellerin, #306 O'Rourke.

Many Current First Day Covers Are Patriotics

Mr. W. Wallace Downes of Pelham, N. Y., raises the question as to whether many of the current first day envelopes are not patriotics.

It would seem difficult to segregate one from another, for certainly many of these covers will have to be classed as patriotic covers. Such as the ones for the current Overrun Nations stamps are wholly worded for the country for which the stamp is intended, yet since this is a part of our War Program, these covers certainly must come within the scope of United States Patriotic envelopes.

P. M. LOST AUGUST DATE

Sam Boucher of Jonesboro, Arkansas, sends us a post card with the information that the Jonesboro postmaster lost the "AUG" slug for his postoffice cancellation stamp and the post card gives evidence of this for the month slug is missing in the cancellation. To get around this the psotmaster used a figure 8 indicating the month and placed this in the line with the date for the day of the month. The hour date is omitted also.

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291	50c	Trans-Miss.	7.50	3.50
292	$1.00	Trans-Miss.	18.00	13.50
293	$2.00	Trans-Miss.	27.00	17.00
294	1c	Pan-American	.16	.05
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Revenues for the fiscal year 1943 were $961,059,690, an increase of $101,242,199 over 1942, while expenditures were $964,602,812, an increase of $92,960,135. The increase of $101,242,199 in revenues for 1943 almost equaled the entire postal revenues for the year 1900.

Revenues in June, 1943, the last month of the fiscal year, showed an unexpcetedly sharp increase, rising 19.05 per cent over June of 1942 and resulting in a lower deficiency for the year than had been anticipated. For the entire fiscal year, revenues were 11.92 per cent above those of 1942, and expenditures were up 10.66 per cent.

Sales of stamps in the fiscal year increased 15.1 per cent to $657,989,094. Increases in revenues from other sources were: permit mail, 2.14 per cen; second-class mail, 7.42; box rents, 4.77; money orders, 15.25; postal savings, 22.02; miscellaneous, 5.59.

As usual, expenditures centered largely in salaries of postal employees and in transportation costs. Seventy-seven per cent of all expenditures went for salaries, and 18.8 per cent for transportation, leaving less than 5 per cent of expenditures for all other purposes.

Several factors combined to prevent a surplus of revenues. Penalty mail (postage-free) from Government departments was heavy because of the requirements of wartime, adding to costs and producing no postal revenue; more than 2,000,000,000 pieces of mail were handled postage-free for members of the armed forces; and salary increases enacted by Congress added substantially to expenditures.

The number of pieces of mail handled during the fiscal year is estimated at more than 33,000,000,000 (thirty-three billion). This is an increase of 3,000,000,000 over the preceding year.

Increases in special services for the year were: number of domestic money orders issued, 18.43 per cent; special delivery, 13.72; paid domestic registered articles, 62.56; paid domestic isured, 36.12; c.o.d., 10.45; war savings bonds sold, 85.58; postal savings certificates sold, 7.12.

Total money transactions by the postal service, involving such items as money orders, war bonds, stamps, postal savings, etc., exceeded $14,000,000,000 (fourteen billion dollars) during the year.

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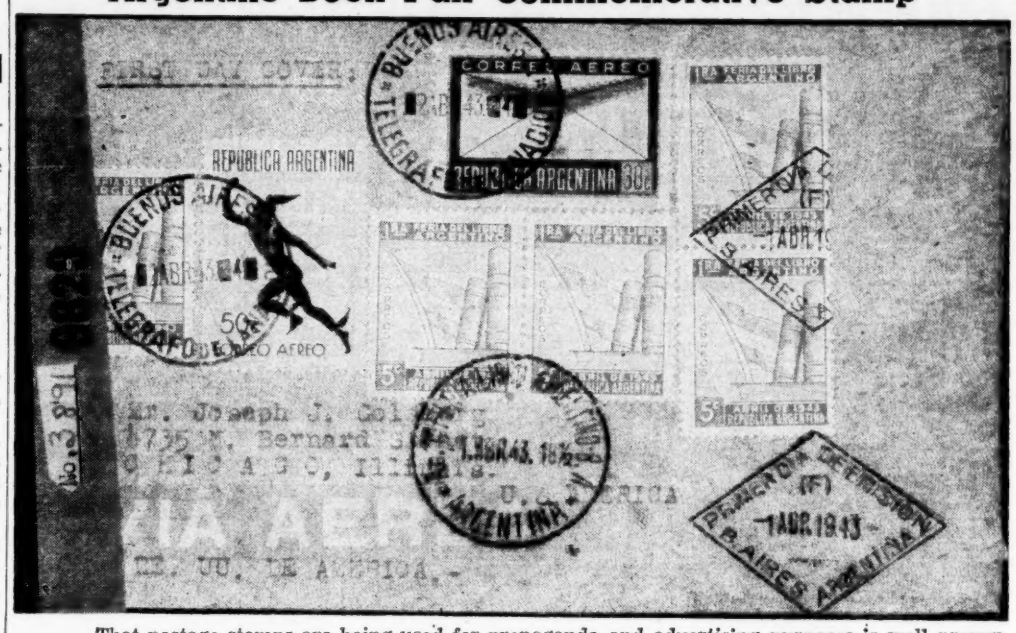

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		Chicago	88,170		
Czechoslav	July 12	Washington	145,112	617,801	30,890.05
Norway	July 27	Washington	130,054	627,927	31,396.35
Luxemburg	Aug. 10	Washington	166,367	552,749	27,637.45
Netherland	Aug. 24	Washington	——	——	——
Belgium	Sept. 14	Washington	——	——	——
France	*Sept. 28	——	——	——	——
Greece	*Oct. 12	——	——	——	——
Yugoslav	*Oct. 26	——	——	——	——
Albania	*Nov. 9	——	——	——	——
Austria	*Nov. 23	——	——	——	——
Denmark	*Dec. 7	——	——	——	——

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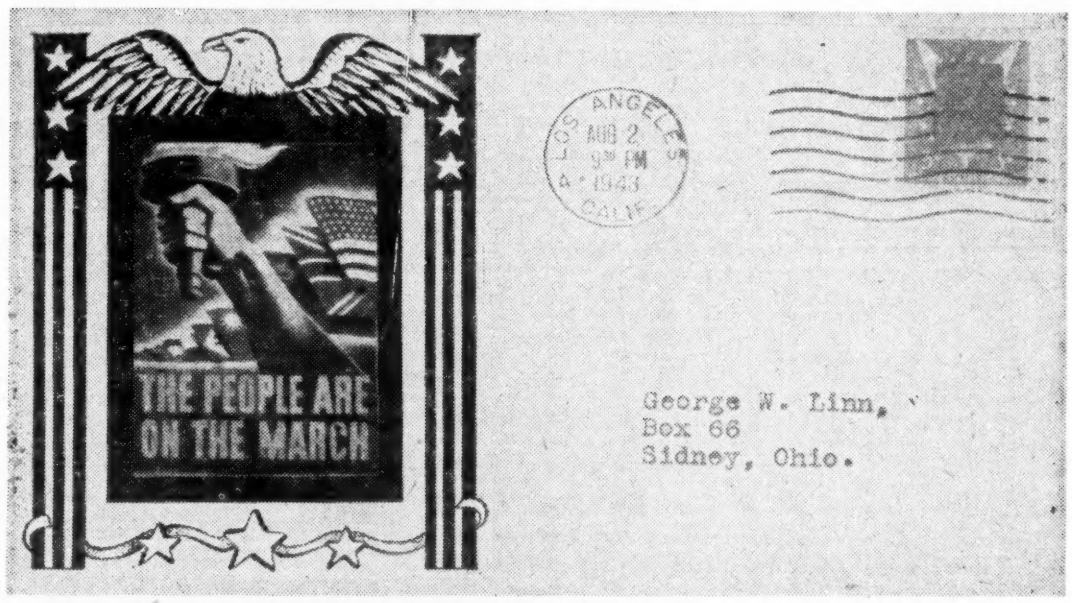

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Russian Stamps Honor Famed Danish Explorer

In the Postage Stamp Parade column of July 22 was a listing of a new set of Russian postage stamps in which it was stated that Russia was honoring one of its great men, Bering with a set of stamps on the 200th anniversary of his death.

We are printing pictures of these four new stamps in this column and find on reference to the facts as concern Bering that he was not a Russian, but a Dane and that his death was in 1941, rather than 1943. The facts as given below are from the New Inburg tc cross Siberia, with orders ence work that is seldom questioned and should be of interest to all collectors.

A Danish navigator, born at Horsen, in Denmark. He entered the service of Russia, and was employed on the great northern expedition planned by Peter the Great to determine the unknown limits of Asia. On February 4, 1725, he started from St. Petersburg to cross Siberia, orders to discover whether Asia and America were connected. After three years of preparation at Okhotsk and Kamtchatka, he made a seven weeks voyage as far as a point from which he could see no land toward the north or east. This northeasterly point of Asia had already been visited by Simeon Deshneff, a Cossack voyager, in 1648. Berning went back to St. Petersburg in the spring of 1730. A year later a vessel commanded by Michael Gvosdeff was driven from Cape Szerde Kamen by a storm across to the Alaska coast, along which Gvosdeff sailed for two days. The Empress Anne ordered Bering to carry out his previous instructions, and in the spring of 1733 he returned to Okhotsk. He delayed there until September, 1740, when he sailed to Petropavlovsk, where he stayed until June 15, 1741. He sailed eastward, and on July 26 his lieutenant, who had separated from the commander during a fog, reached the North American coast near Cross Bay. Bering made land north of Cape St. Elias, July 29. When he started to return, he was driven about by storms until November 16, when his vessel was wrecked on the desert island still known by his name. He died there of exposure and disappointment, December 19, 1741. His companions built a vessel, in which they returned to Kamtchatka with more than $100,000 worth of furs captured on the island.

We have a circular from the manufacturers of the National Postal Meter which was recently approved by the Canadian Government as announced in our columns some weeks ago. We note an item in this circular which states that the Canadian Government grants a small discount on postage to all users of metered mail.

U. S. STAMP IN FULL COLORS LONG BEEN WANTED

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vanced by Walker and by Ramsey Black, third assistant postmaster general, that postoffice presses were unable to do the job without havi_ the colors overlap.

To my knowledge, the bill never was reported out by the committee on the postoffice and post roads.

Meanwhile a nationwide poll of stamp collectors, taken by The International Stamp Review, had shown about 86 percent in favor of a United States stamp flag.

Still nothing, apparently, had benn accomplished.

Then I saw a chance to put the matter directly before President Roosevelt, the nation's No. 1 stamp collector. I reasoned that if he favored issuance of such a stamp, the difficulties advanced could be overcome quite easily and quickly.

His son, Capt. James Roosevelt, was stationed at the Marine Corps base in San Diego at that time. I prepared a letter to the president in which I pointed out that the United States flag in colors had appeared on the stamps of many foreign countries, particularly on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the Consitution of the United States I urged the issuance of an Old Glory stamp of our own as a spur to wartime patriotism and a boost of civilian morales.

I took the letter to Capt. Roosevelt, who promised to mail it to his father. In this way, I figured, it would not get sidetracked by one of the White House secretaries.

Although I received no reply direct from the president, I did get action, so I am sure the president got my letter. I received replies from his personal secretray, Margaret (Missy). LeHand, Postmaster General Walker and T. A. P. G. Ramsey Black.

Unfortunately, it was pointed out, mechanical difficulties still made it impossible to issue such a stamp. China could have the United States flag on its stamps in full colors. Turkey could have the United States flag on its stamps in full colors. Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Salvador, Spain, could have the United States flag on their stamps in full color.

But could the United States have its own flag on its own stamps in full color? Don't be silly!

Then, before the new series of axis-occupied-country flag stamps was announced came rumors that there would be such a series, in color and done by the American Bank Note Co. I already had suggested to several officials that if postoffice presses could not handle an American flag stamp the American Bank Note Co. could—and, in fact, had—for other countries, of course.

I wrote again to the president, urging that our onw flag be included in the series, or perhaps on each of the stamps, along with the other flags. This time there was no marine captain handy to mail the letter for me and I am not sure if the president saw it. However, a reply from the ubiquitous Black stated, "The reasons against issuing a stamp with the United States flag in color still apply."

It's possible, of course, they may have thought up some new reasons. Meanwhile let's carry on. Some day we may have another Farley.

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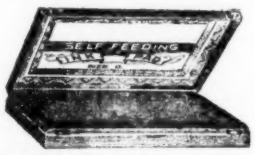

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